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William T. Lake
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Re: Applications of Comcast Corporation, General Electric Company and
NBC Universal, Inc. For Consent to Assign Licenses or Transfer Control
of Licensees, MB Docket No. 10-56

Dear William T. Lake,

As a Member of the United States House of Representatives, serving the 35th District of California, I formally submit the attached documents for the record in the Federal Communications Commission's review of Comcast Corporation's proposed acquisition of NBC Universal.

Under the merger agreement, Comcast Corporation would gain majority ownership and control of NBCU's two broadcast television networks (NBC and Telemundo), its 26 local owned-and-operated broadcast television station stations, several national cable programming networks, a motion picture studio, an international theme park business, and its online content businesses. Accordingly, such a massive transfer of media holdings and licenses demands that the FCC consider comments from all stakeholders. This was the principle reasoning behind my decision to write the FCC Chairman, requesting that he reconsider the Media Bureau's previous order denying Media Access Project's request for an extension of the comment period, and ultimately why I introduced legislation requiring the FCC to extend the comment period an additional 45 days.

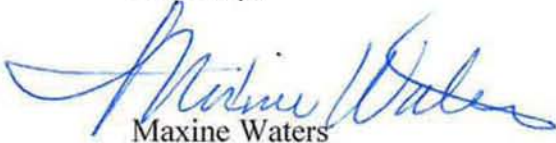
While the Media Bureau maintains the delegated authority to make certain procedural determinations with respect to the Comcast-NBC merger proceedings, I

strongly believed that it was in the public interest for the FCC to provide adequate time for all impacted parties to file detailed comments and analysis detailing the impact this merger would have on consumers and the broadcast industry.

Moreover, as a Member of the Congressional Black Caucus, I am most interested in how the applicants to this merger will credibly involve minorities in media programming and ownership opportunities. The proposed acquisition will greatly impact the public's future use and control of public airwaves, spectrum, and the Internet, and it is my hope that the FCC will fulfill its commitment and obligation to the public trust and conduct a thorough analysis, carefully examining the impact this merger will have on localism, competition, and diversity in our media industry.

Therefore, I submit for the record my letter to FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski dated April 12, 2010; my legislation, H.R. 5020, requiring the FCC to extend the comment period an additional 45 days, introduced April 14, 2010; a list of Members of Congress cosponsoring the legislation at the time of this submission; and letters in support of my legislation and request that the FCC afford the public interest community additional time to file comments.

Sincerely,



Maxine Waters
Member of Congress

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